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E. S. JOSEPH,

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Hongkong, 3rd December, 1904. [2813]

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HONGKONG, DECEMBER 10TH, 1904.

It might have been anticipated that the increase in the production of gold which has taken place of late years from the Transvaal and Klondyke mines would have had some appreciable effect upon the relative values of gold and silver and have tended to raise the range of the silver currencies. So far, however, as it has been possible to form an estimate in the matter, no appreciable effect of this kind has been produced, and the low rates of exchange in the East are still a noticeable feature and have to be accepted as an established fact. It is, of course, impossible to say whether the downward movement which at one time caused so much anxiety, and which has been the subject of so much speculation on the part of financiers and economists, has been to some extent arrested by an addition to the world's supply of gold. Upon abstract grounds, this may fairly be assumed to have been the case, but it is still an open question how far any such result has been brought about; and, what is of more importance, how far it may be looked for in the future. It is to be feared that no very marked effects can be anticipated, though at first sight it might appear that there was some hope in this direction. There is in the first place the fact that the production of silver in many American mines, which has been suspended consequent upon the comparatively low value of the metal, can be resumed at any time when a more favourable state of matters might render it profitable to work these mines again. This in itself would seem to be a hopeless obstacle against any re-adjustment of the relative values of the two metals. As the cost of working the

mines must be paid for in gold currency, the more silver that is produced, the sooner must the point be again reached when it will no longer pay to continue the operations. Whatever the amount of available silver may be, there is always this reserve in the background, which will tend of necessity to keep down its value. On the other hand, the value of gold is enhanced by its being still—and being certain to remain—the one stable standard of value among all the most important commercial nations. In France and America, though the names of the current coins are those of silver pieces—in the one case the franc, and the other the dollar—the standard is in reality a gold one; as the gold value of these coins is fixed; and in Great Britain and most of her Colonies the currency is gold both in name and in coinage. In other countries—the last among them being our enterprising neighbour, Japan—the principle has been accepted that a gold currency is essential to sound commercial operations; and there can be no doubt that wherever it is possible the gold standard will be adopted. Thus there has been, and is likely to continue to be, a constant increase in the demand for gold; and the value of the metal has been enhanced not merely as a consumable article of luxury, but on account of its becoming more and more recognisable as the only reliable ultimate standard of value in all commercial transactions. This is in itself a source of great value to any metal. For a long period silver took this position in the East, but it has now been found wanting in stability, and the artificial value which attached to it has departed, while that of gold, as a reliable basis, has been proportionately enhanced. The latter, whether it be more or less used for articles of luxury, dental purposes, gilding, or in other ways, where (a fact which is often overlooked) it is more or less actually consumed, must for many years to come still be the metal always in demand for the purpose of reserves; and so long as it is thus used, its value as compared with other metals liable to more fluctuation must always be maintained.

Silver in the East no doubt stands upon the footing of the ultimate standard of value, but its prerogative in this respect is of a local and limited character, and cannot affect its value in relation to a gold standard, when it comes into contact with it in over-sea commercial transactions. The idea which was at one time in favour of adopting some artificial means of establishing an exchange value of the dollar or the rupee, has of late years apparently been abandoned as impracticable. At least we hear very little in respect of a controversy which was at one time kept up with considerable animation; and it may be taken that the existence of a lower average standard has been accepted as inevitable. Still it cannot be considered that the state of affairs is satisfactory. There is not any security that the exchange has touched the bottom and that there may not be further decline even from the low rates which have ruled for many years past. This state of things must always exist so long as silver remains the medium of commercial transactions; and it will be a long time before it can be hoped that a gold standard in any form will be accepted in China. This would, of course, be the true remedy; but it must be many years before any such change could be brought about, even if China were under a Government much stronger than we can hope to see. Should the Japanese, however, carry out the scheme which it is stated they have in contemplation, of introducing a gold currency, it is not impossible that the Japanese coin would by degrees obtain some kind of foothold as a medium for commercial transactions, and that ultimately the Chinese might find the advantage of following suit and adopting a gold standard for themselves. Nothing short of this would put an end to the silver trouble and the low range of exchange, which has been prevalent for so many years.

The U.S.S. *Holland* leaves to-day for Cavite.

We have received from an American naval officer a sum of five dollars for the man who sent us the letter signed William Carlyle.

H.E. Sir Matthew Nathan, accompanied by his A.D.C. and the Harbour Master, paid a visit to the Sailors' Home yesterday afternoon.

A bazaar will be held at the City Hall on Wednesday next, commencing at 2 p.m., in aid of the Chinese orphans of the Asile de la Sainte Enfance.

The Hongkong Tramway Electric Company advertise their intention of applying to H.E. the Governor in Council for power to construct and maintain a siding, fifty yards long, between Yee Woo Street and Causeway Bay Road.

The new United States survey ship *Father*, built at the Kowloon Docks, may undergo her trial trip on Monday.

Mr. Sassoon J. David, senior partner in the firm of Sassoon J. David & Co., of Bombay, and of S. J. David & Co., of China and Japan, has been appointed Sheriff of Bombay for the ensuing year.

Our gallant little friend the *Ronaldo*, under Commander Wake, will be meeting the junior Baltic Fleet somewhere about the Straits of Bab-el-Mandeb. We trust, says a Singapore paper, she will not be mistaken for a Hull trawler—pardon, for a Japanese squadron. If that mistake is made the *Ronaldo* will go at the "Vodka" flagship for all she is worth.

Mr. and Mrs. F. Howell have sent out invitations for friends to be present at the marriage of their sister to Mr. Arthur William Hill, of the Supreme Court at St. John's Cathedral on the 21st December. A reception will afterwards be held at No. 6, Morrison Hill Road. The bride, Mrs. Emily Flora von Reiffenstahl, is a daughter of Mr. Jonathan Howell, of Cambridge. Her brother, Mr. Fred Howell, is head bailiff at the Supreme Court.

A Wuchang despatch states that Viceroy Chang Chih-tung is very much taken up with Pinghsiang, in Kiangsi province, where are Sheng Kung-pao's coal mines and a short railway to the banks of the Yangtze, as an ideal spot for an arsenal, that, in the event of Tieliang, the Special Commissioner from Peking, reporting that it is unfit to replace the Kiangnan Arsenal in Shanghai, the Viceroy will himself construct a small arms and ammunition factory and field-gun foundry there with funds from the treasury of the Huakung provinces.

A Chinese ex-police-man at Shanghai made a practice of going to a native woman who sold lottery tickets, and telling her to take out tickets in his name. If the ticket happened to draw a prize, the defendant claimed the prize money and paid her for the cost of the ticket, but if his ticket lost then he paid the complainant nothing. He imposed upon the woman in this way by threatening to charge her with some offence should she not comply with his demands. The defendant had been in the Police Force eight years and had a very bad record. He was laid by the heels on Nov. 30th, and got 300 blows and three months' imprisonment.

By kind permission of Col. Caulfield and officers, the band of the 110th Mahratta Light Infantry will play the following selections at the Hongkong Hotel this (Saturday) evening:

March "Campardon" Closé Selection "La Vigile" Andran Selection "Garden of Sleep" Godfrey Vale "Veneranda Song" Bacchus Selection "Pirates of Penzance" Godfrey Dance "Fife Hungarian" Sarawak

MENU.—Hors D'Œuvres—Macassar Fish and Olive Croutons. Soup—Consonne Royal. Fish—Baked Salmon à la Moray. Entrees—Salmon à la Hare, Fillet of Steak à la Wellington. Chicken and Macaroni Patties. Curry—Nepali. Joint-Roast Sirloin of Beef, Roast Pheasant and Braised Duck. Boiled Bacon and Cabbage, Cold Roast Leg of Mutton and Mat Sauce, French Bean Salad. Sweets—Lemon Pudding, Pineapple Ice Cream and Finger Cakes, Custard Tart, Tipy Cake, Dessert—Coffee.

The drink habit is spreading among the Burmese, and a deputy Commissioner sententiously remarks that "there can be no doubt that the increase in wealth and the raising of the standard of living is producing the usual result in use and abuse of liquor. Western civilisation has always substituted pleasure for happiness, and it is absurd to expect that its effect on the Burman should be different from that on other nations." Silent, sullen toying is rare, but the effect of drink on the excitable Burman provokes him to "break up the convivial party." Cheap moralising on this subject is valueless. If the truth must be told, a something should seal the lips of the evangelist who would restrict the use of alcohol among Orientals while we continue to profit by their devotion to narcotics. The conquest of opium by alcohol may be to some the triumph of the lesser evil. We however should shudder at the result if the Chinese population en masse abandoned the non-crime producing narcotic for the crime-producing liquor. The Burman, however, in the main does not use opium. He will therefore be the reader to substitute the higher class European liquors for the arrack and samshu of the bazaar.—*Singapore Free Press*.

MORE FIRES.

At about 2.15 yesterday morning a fire broke out in a godown at No. 325, Des Vaux Road West, in which general merchandize is stored. The brigade were quickly on the scene, and were not long in quenching the fire. The damage is estimated at \$500. The goods were insured to the amount of \$19,000 in the U.S. On Insurance Company, \$5,000 in the Commercial Union, and \$11,000 in the Meiji Insurance Company. The origin of the fire is unknown, but the godown-keeper said that when he went to bed he left a kerosene lamp burning on a case of goods. The Police are investigating matters.

Another alarm was given in the afternoon from the direction of Wongneichong. The brigade turned out, but discovered nothing more than the burning of some rubbish.

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE NORTH BORNEO DINNER.

LONDON, 7th December.

Sir Charles Jessel, vice-chairman of the British North Borneo Co., presided at the annual North Borneo dinner. Mr. Cowie announced amid cheers that Judge Grieritz had been appointed Governor and added that he was more sanguine than ever of the future of the country which was worth many times the value of the capital of the company. He hoped that work would soon be started on the manganese and iron discoveries.

THE ANGLO-FRENCH CONVENTION.

LONDON, 7th December.

The French Senate has adopted the Anglo-French Convention by 215 to 37.

THE WAR.

[REUTER'S SERVICE.]

THE COMING FLEET.

LONDON, 7th December.

The rest of Admiral Votrovsky's supplementary fleet, consisting of the *Dneiper*, formerly the *Petersburg*, and two destroyers and transports, have left Tangier bound eastward.

The cruisers *Oleg*, *Izvorud*, the vanguard of Admiral Votrovsky's supplementary Baltic fleet, left Tangier yesterday on the way to Suez. The *Rion*, formerly the *Smolensk*, and two destroyers are at Algiers.

[BY COURTESY OF THE JAPANESE CONSUL.]

THE BOMBARDMENT OF PORT ARTHUR.

Tokyo, 9th December.

The naval staff with the Port Arthur army on Thursday evening reports that the *Pallada* had taken fire and headed to port with stern down. Eleven shots also told on the *Giyuk*. The *Bayan* took fire at 11.30 a.m. and was still ablaze at 4.15 p.m.

The commander of the naval artillery reports that the *Amur* was on Thursday hit about the stern by fourteen shots, and sank. Many shots greatly damaged godowns and other buildings near Pehyushan and the Arsenal.

CHURCHES FOR KOWLOON.

SIR PAUL CHATER'S GIFT.

The foundation stone of a new church at Kowloon will be laid next Tuesday. The inscription is as follows:

This foundation stone was laid by Rt. Rev. J. C. Hoare, D.D., Bishop of Victoria, December 15th, 1904. This church erected and presented to the Colony by Sir C. P. Chater, C.M.G.

The Government gave a free grant of 67,500 square feet for the church, the site being in Robinson Road, Kowloon, next to the school presented to the Colony by Mr. Ho Tung. It is to be erected at a cost of \$40,000, and named St. Andrew's Church. It will be built of red brick. There will be seating accommodation for about three hundred persons. At either corner of the western elevation there will be an entrance, the Baptistry being on one side, and a tower on the other. The columns are of marble.

DR. A. S. GOMES' GIFT.

This afternoon at 4 o'clock the laying and the blessing of the foundation stone of a new Roman Catholic Church at Kowloon will take place. The ceremony will be performed by the Rev. P. de Maria, the pro-Vicar Apostolic, in the absence of Bishop Piazzoli. The building will occupy a superficial area of about 4,500 square feet, and will have seating accommodation for 600 persons. The length from the porch to the main altar will be 106 feet, while the width of the nave will be 35 feet. The nave is 68 feet long and the main altar and chancel will be 21 feet. There will be three altars; the main one will be dedicated to the Blessed Virgin of Pompeii, and the two smaller ones to St. John the Baptist and St. Anthony respectively. The vestry will be on the left of the chancel and the organ will be placed on the right. The outward appearance of the church will be as beautiful when completed as red brick can be. There will be a tower for the bells. The height of the spire will be about 50 feet. The plan and the design were prepared by Messrs Palmer and Turner, and the total cost of building, which is at present estimated at \$23,000, will be defrayed by Dr. A. S. Gomes. It is expected that the church will be ready by April or May next year. The Roman Catholics at Kowloon are very grateful to Dr. Gomes for this generous gift.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Hongkong Observatory yesterday issued the following report:

On the 7th at 11.55 a.m. The barometer has risen over the Eastern Sea and fallen moderately at most other stations.

A deep depression is passing across Hokkaido from the westward, accompanied by strong winds. Gradients are moderating upon the China Coast and moderate N.E. monsoon will prevail in the Formosa Channel and the northern part of the China Sea.

Forecast:—Moderate N.E. winds, cloudy, fair.

CORRESPONDENCE.

OUT OF WORK.

[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "DAILY PRESS."]

Hongkong, 9th December.

SIR.—Your correspondent W. Carlyle is in error—I will not use a stronger term—when he states that I refused to help him because he was not in the Sailor's Home. I did not refuse to help him, and if I had done so, it would not have been for such a reason. The fact of the matter is that the need is so far in excess of my means to help that I am often compelled not to "refuse help," but to explain that I haven't the means.

During the past eleven months I have been enabled by grants from the Ladies' Benevolent Society, by donations from friends, and by drawing upon the Church Funds to help men, in various ways, to the extent of four hundred and fifty dollars, and with one or two trifling exceptions these have all been men not in the Sailor's Home.

Your correspondent, together with several others who have come to Hongkong, was paid off in Shanghai, but as the crew had signed three years' articles it must have been with his own consent, if not at his own request. Why did he consent? But this suggests another question, and a more serious one, why did the British Consul in Shanghai, knowing as he must have done the very poor prospects of re-shipping in Shanghai, allow him to be paid off? Surely this is a matter that calls for investigation. —I am yours faithfully,

J. H. FRANCE.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR AT ST. JOSEPH'S COLLEGE.

Yesterday morning His Excellency Sir Matthew Nathan, accompanied by his A.D.C. and the Rev. Father Maria, visited St. Joseph's College. On arrival the students sang a hymn of welcome and presented him with the following amusing address:—To Sir Matthew Nathan, K.C.M.G., Governor of Hongkong. Your Excellency.—We the students of St. Joseph's College heartily unite in a chorus of welcome and congratulation to Your Excellency, on your first appearance in this establishment. It is hardly necessary to remind Your Excellency that we are utterly incapable of getting up an address equal to your merit and dignity, but we indulge in the hope that you will be so good as to take the will for the deed. We recognise in Your Excellency, not merely the head of His Majesty's Government entitled to our loyalty; not merely the benevolent Governor of Hongkong well deserving of our affection. We see especially in Your Excellency a true-hearted Educationist, solicitous not only for the wealthy few, but for the great mass of the rising generation. To the advantage of Your Excellency, we rest the strongest hopes of our future success, and trust we shall ever prove worthy of your support and confidence. As regards our scholastic acquirements we have but little to say. While we believe that some progress has been made in our studies, so far as immediate practical utility is concerned, we cannot conceal from ourselves and Your Excellency the fact that further knowledge and practice are not only possible, but would be advantageous. This splendid building on a very desirable site and so well adapted for its purpose as an educational establishment, represents rather our aspirations and the expectations of our friends than the extent of our knowledge. It will be gratifying to Your Excellency to know that, with particular pleasure, we look forward to the Prize Distribution. We believe that prizes like steadfast labour and habits of clear perception are things to be desired as tending to our higher development, and ought therefore to be encouraged as one of the most valuable means of education. And on this ground we desire to express our earnest hope that, with your accustomed kindness and courtesy, you will not allow any other engagement to stand in the way of your coming to preside and distribute the prizes.

We wish your Excellency may have many years to live in happiness and prosperity. We feel that any attempt on our part to acknowledge in a fitting manner the favour conferred must be unsuccessful, and by very far fall short of our feelings. However please accept our humble thanks for your goodness and kindness and believe us to remain in the sentiments of the deepest gratitude. The Pupils of St. Joseph's College.

His Excellency, in thanking the boys for their address, said he would not fail to come back on the 17th to distribute the prizes on the occasion of the closing of the college for the Christmas vacation.

Sir Matthew then made an inspection of the college and expressed himself as well pleased with the arrangements throughout, also with the prompt answers of the boys to his questions on various subjects. He secured for them a half holiday before leaving, and on taking his departure the college choir struck up "God save the King." The boys were drawn up outside the door in two lines, and as His Excellency walked between them he was heartily cheered and cheered again until he was out of sight.

LATEST STEAMER MOVEMENTS.

WEATHER REPORT.

The M.M. steamer *Dawson*, with the outward French mail, will leave Saigon on Saturday, the 10th inst. at

VICTORIA REGATTA.

SECOND DAY.

Yesterday was the second day of Victoria Regatta. There was a good attendance on the flagship *Kwong Chon*, including many ladies. The band of the 110th Mahrattas played selections on the upper deck during the afternoon. Hongkong so far has not shown up well in the Regatta. Canton carried both events for which it had entered, and is to be heartily congratulated. The Germans and Italians, also, both beat the British bluejackets; Results were as follows:—

INTERPORT FOURS.

Prize presented by the Members of the Club Germania. Four-Oars. Seniors. One Mile. Rowed in boats the property of the competing club or unit. Starters:—

Hongkong—G. C. Brueckner, bow; T. E. Pearce, 2; J. Witchell, 3; W. O. Koehler, stroke; G. A. Caldwell, cox.

Canton—H. O. Bollmann, bow; E. E. Andrus, 2; R. Leslie, 3; W. Imhoff, stroke; A. W. Purnell, cox.

Hongkong 1
Canton 2

Koehler got slightly the best of the start. The boats kept fairly even for some distance, both crews pulling well. Imhoff then shot ahead, and before long increased his distance to about three lengths. The Hongkong men spurted gamely, but were unable to draw level with their opponents, who were making thirty-six against thirty strokes a minute. The Canton crew won the race by a length and a half.

Time—6min. 33sec.

HARBOUR POLICE.

Open to the Chinese members of the Harbour Police. To be rowed in the Service boats. One mile. Four boats competed. They were under coxswains Nos. 419, 458, 402 and 410 respectively. Almost at the start the race devolved into a contest between coxswains 419 and 410. The former won the race by two feet; coxswain 458 was third.

Time—9 min. 13sec.

MEN-O'-WAR CUTTERS.

One mile. Time allowance, 8 seconds per ox. Postentries. Service cars and conditions.

Furst Bismarck's cutter 1

Liguria's cutter 2

There were four starters in this event, viz.—two fourteen-oar cutters, from the German man-o'-war *Furst Bismarck*, one from H.M.S. *Vengeance*, and one from the Italian cruiser *Liguria*. The *Furst Bismarck's* No 1 cutter and the *Liguria's* boat left all the others in the background. Between these two boats it was a most exciting race, the spectators cheering loudly towards the finish. The Germans were a little ahead when there was about twenty yards to cover. The Italians spurted. A dead heat.

Time—6 min. 50 sec.

When the dead heat was pulled off the German boat beat the Italian by a length and a half.

HONGKONG CLUB CUP.

Presented by the Members of the Hongkong Club. Four-Oars. Senior. One mile. Rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club. Starters:—

Kornblume—R. W. Pearson, bow; H. Rapp, 2; A. Loureiro, 3; L. A. Musso, stroke; F. Lammert, cox.

Rose—J. P. Jordan, bow; H. A. Lammert, 2; F. M. Roza Pereira, 3; C. E. A. Hance, stroke; C. Humphreys, cox.

Shamrock—N. H. Alves, bow; A. J. V. Loureiro, 2; A. V. Barros, 3; A. E. Alves, stroke; C. M. S. Alves, cox.

Kornblume 1
Rose 2

A very good start was made. Musso and Hance distanced Alves after about a quarter of the distance had been covered. *Kornblume* shot ahead of *Rose* in the last thirty yards, Musso's crew winning easily by four lengths.

Time—7 min. 23 sec.

BOYS' RACE.

Open to all Schools in the Colony. Half-Mile. Age 16 and under. Rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club. Starters:—

Terrible (Diocesan School)—L. Clement, bow; H. Brandt, stroke; S. Jex, cox.

Powerful (Diocesan School)—J. Young, bow; H. E. Edwards, stroke; T. Jex, cox.

Powerful 1
Terrible 0

Edwards' boat took the lead soon after the start and maintained it to the finish. *Powerful* won the race by five lengths.

Time—7 min. 22 sec.

CHINESE CUP.

Presented by the Chinese Community of Hongkong. Four-oars. Juniors. One Mile. Rowed in boats the property of the Victoria Recreation Club. Starters:—

Shamrock—H. M. Bain, bow; F. E. Eca da Silva, 2; J. J. Watson, 3; G. B. Macdonald, stroke; J. P. Jordan, cox.

Rose—U. R. Chummett, bow; J. M. Roza Pereira, 2; J. C. Remedios, 3; W. G. Goggin, stroke; E. Herbst, cox.

Kornblume—J. Cruicks, bow; F. Loureiro, 2; C. J. Cooke, 3; H. A. Seth, stroke; R. C. Witchell, cox.

Kornblume 1
Rose 2

Goggin shot ahead slightly at gun fire, but was challenged shortly afterwards by Macdonald. Seth made a poor start, but improved considerably before a great distance was covered. Macdonald, unlike his former exhibitions, stroked *Shamrock* wildly, and his boat fell behind in consequence. Goggin continued to lead almost to the flagship, though Seth gained inch by inch on him all the time. A splendid finish was witnessed, Seth's crew spurring ahead and winning by four lengths.

Time—7 min. 40 sec.

INTERPORT PAIR-OARS.

Cups Presented. Senior. One mile. Rowed

in boats the property of the competing club or unit. Starters:—

Hongkong—J. Witchell, bow; W. O. Koehler, stroke, Siebs, cox.

Canton Rowing Club—R. Leslie, bow; W. Imhoff, W. Purcell, cox.

Canton 1
Hongkong 0

This was a very hardly contested race. Imhoff gave faster time than Koehler, but the Hongkong men put more strength into their strokes and thus kept level with their opponents till very near the finish. Canton won by half a length.

Time—7 min. 50 sec.

SAILING.

As on the first day there were three sailing races. There was a fresh breeze from the eastward. The starting line was between two mark-boats anchored off the flagship. The results were as follows:—

CRUISING YACHTS.

European Rig. Owned by members of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club. This is the first of four races for a cup presented by His Excellency the Governor. Handicap. Course round a mark-boat one mile off Kauichou (starboard) and home.

Owner	Yacht	Time
Mr. G. H. Potts	<i>Haidce</i>	3 15 55
Mr. A. H. Oughtred	<i>Brynhilde</i>	3 30 45
Mr. Hazelton	<i>La Cigale</i>	3 31 55
Mr. R. H. King's	<i>Rita</i>	3 38 42
Mr. Reynolds'	<i>Alexandra</i>	gave up.

CRUISING YACHTS.

Chinese Rig. Owned by members of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club. This is the first of a series of four races for a Prize presented by the Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G., Com modore of the Royal Hongkong Yacht Club. Course round markboat one mile north of Kauichou (starboard).

Owner	Yacht	Time
Tamar Officers'	<i>Tavy</i>	3 54 35
Mr. C. W. Kew's	<i>Australis</i>	3 58 15
Mr. A. B. Rows'	<i>Snipe</i>	4 1 0
Mr. J. Hastings'	<i>Dorothy</i>	4 17 30

OPEN BOATS.

Any rig. Chinese owned boats excluded. Keels allowed. Handicap. Course round mark boat north of Green Island (starboard).

BOAT.	H. M. S.
Tamar's Cutter	3 4 30
Vengeanc'e's cutter	3 4 48
Euderbark	3 12 18
Eudegrinen II	3 16 15
Thetis' galley	3 16 45
Gig III	3 14 40
Eudegrinen I	3 18 40
Gig II	3 18 50
Thetis' cutter	3 41 30

A CHINA MISSIONARY MEETING.

Next Wednesday evening at 7.30 p.m. a public meeting will be held by the Wesleyan Methodist Mission Society, when missionaries and others will give their views on Christianity in China. Mr. G. Corderoy will take the chair, and addresses will be made by Messrs. the Rev. W. Bridie, J. Dyer Ball, M.E.A.S., the Rev. W. Tong. The latter will speak in Chinese, and be interpreted by Mr. J. Dyer Ball.

UNITED SERVICE LODGE.

Bro. H. G. Baker has been installed Worshipful Master of the United Service Lodge (E.C.) in succession to Wor. Bro. W. H. Dally. The ceremony was performed by the Right Worshipful Bro. E. C. Ray, Deputy District Grand Master of Hongkong and South China, and his officers. Wor. Bro. Baker invested his officers as follows:—

Bro. J. Gimblett, San. Warden; Bro. J. Hicks, Jun. Warden; Wor. Bro. H. E. A. Holle, Treasurer; Bro. W. Kent, Secretary; Bro. W. Harris, Chaplain; Bro. H. G. Garrett, San. Deacon; Bro. E. C. Lewis, Jun. Deacon; Bro. J. T. Longstaff, Organist; Bro. M. Taylor, Director of Ceremonies; Bro. J. N. Bullin, Inner Guard; Bros. J. Dealy, J. N. Jones; Steward; and J. Vanscone, Tyler.

CHURCH SERVICES.

S. PETEE'S CHURCH.
Queen's Road, West.
Third Sunday in Advent.
Holy Communion, 7.30 a.m.
Morning Prayer, 11 a.m.

Venite, Woodward; Te Deum, Russell; Jubilate, Barnby; Hymns, 7, 46, 243, and 65.

Evening Prayer.

Magnificat, Goss; Nunc Dimittis, Savage; Hymns, 11, 450, 445, and 16.

The Church landing *Dyesspring* will call on ships carrying white crews to bring friends ashore to the services, between 9.15 and 10.30 a.m., and between 5.15 and 6 p.m. (Kowloon Police Pier 10.30 and 6); returning afterwards. The Answering Pennant is the call flag. All the sittings are free and unappropriated. Visitors welcome. Books, &c., provided. Sunday School 10—10.45 a.m.

SUPREME COURT.

Friday, 9th December.

IN SUMMARY JURISDICTION:

BEFORE MR. T. SERCOMBE SMITH (Puisne Judge).

JUDGMENT AND COSTS.

Judgment and costs was given for the plaintiff in the following cases:—*Gunda Singh v. J. A. Silva*, \$135; *Gunda Singh v. J. M. Silva* and another, \$80; *Soojan Singh v. M. D. Salvin* and another, \$120; *The I-Tsun v. Yan Chan Man*, \$58.81; *Tak Kee v. Te Tai Ping*, \$300; *Yan Pun v. J. Rahamin*, \$21; *The Kan Tak*, \$100; *The Shing Tai*, \$70.36; *A. Cattaneo v. A. Shefield*, \$8; *Gunda Singh v. Wong Yuk Lum*, \$50.

CASES ADJOURNED.

Various other cases were dealt with as follows:—*Wong Tai Fong v. Tam Man*, \$100, adjourned sine die.

Chan Kin Cho v. Chan Ting On, \$500, Friday. *Kruse and Co. v. D. Joseph*, \$19.30, adjourned for a fortnight.

Ritchie and Co. v. F. L. Clyde, \$177.54, to-day. *Moy Yee v. Jebson and Co.*, \$1,000, Friday. *Ho Chua v. Lo Fo*, \$4.39, Friday. *The Po Yik firm v. Au Chun Sang and others*, \$26.79, Friday. *Ma Wu Nam v. The Yu Hang Cheong v. Yam Sin Man*, \$167.1, Friday.

MARINE MAGISTRATE'S COURT.

Friday, 9th December.

BEFORE HON. CAPT. L. A. W. BARNESEN-LAWRENCE (HARBOUR MASTER).

TEESPASSING ON RACE COURSE.

In *Wo*, Master of licensed junk No. S. 216 H., was charged with unlawfully disobeying the lawful orders of the Harbour Master, in that he did cross the course at Yamato Bay during the progress of a race in connection with the V.E.C. Regatta. Sergeant Boole, of the Water Police, gave evidence to the persistence of the master to cross the course after being warned not to do so. Inspector Langley in another police pinnace had also warned him not to do so.

Lam Shan, Master of the junk, said he did not understand what the police inspector said.

By the Court—Inspector Langley had an interpreter in Chinese with him, but could not understand what he said. I was going to Sham Po from Hongkong. I saw the flags flying, but did not know the meaning of them.

The Magistrate found the charge proved and fined the defendant \$2.

JUNK MASTER CAUTIONED.

Chung Wing Foo, Master of fishing junk No. 6,601, H., was charged at the instance of Captain Jones, R.A., with wilfully disobeying the lawful orders of the Harbour Master, in that he did sail past the shore where the artillery were at practice. In view of the defendant being in custody for 40 hours, the Harbour Master dismissed him with a caution.

BEFORE MR. BASIL TAYLOR (ASSISTANT HARBOUR MASTER).

COLLISION.

An inquiry was held into the collision between the steam launches *Ying Fat* of which Mak Fan was the Master, and the *Choy Sang* of which Ho Kau was Master, which occurred in the waters of the Colony on the 25th ultimo. Mak Fan, master of the *Ying Fat*, deposed:—I left Nan Pak Hong for Sham Chan at about 7 a.m. The *Choy Sang* was coming up astern. When in Cap Shin Mun the *Choy Sang* overtook me. When abreast of me on my starboard side, she starboarded her helm, and struck me on my starboard quarter, slewing me round to starboard, and I ran ashore in consequence on the small island to the south of Mawan. My engines were going full speed ahead at the time of the collision. I had not eased them at all at the time. I reversed directly after to try and avoid going ashore. I kept close in shore because the ebb tide was strong. The *Choy Sang*'s engines were still going ahead at the time of the collision. They must have been or she could not have run into me. Ho Kau, master of the *Choy Sang*, said:—The launch belongs to a woman whose name I do not know. She engaged me. I don't know who the *Ying Fat* belongs to. We always leave Hongkong together carrying passengers. We do not race. I am never anxious to get to my destination before the other. On this occasion I was on the *Ying Fat*'s starboard quarter, and going at the same speed as she was. She ported across my bows to prevent me getting ahead of her.

At this stage witness refused to answer questions put by the Magistrate for the purpose of discovering whether the *Choy Sang* was overtaking, so the Harbour Master said he could only come to the conclusion that she was. Witness continued:—At the moment of collision my engines were going astern. The Magistrate, in passing judgment, said:—The *Choy Sang*, being the overtaking vessel, should have kept clear. I am satisfied that these two launches are running in opposition to each other, and each was trying to "jockey" the other. Ho Kau for negligent handling of his launch, will have his certificate suspended for two months. Mak Fan, coxswain of the *Ying Fat*, contributed to the damage to his launch in hugging the shore so closely. His certificate will be suspended for one

NOTICE.

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NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

BAZAR.

In Aid of the
POOR CHINESE ORPHANS
of the
ASILE DE LA SAINTE ENFANCE.

Under the distinguished Patronage of His Excellency Major Sir MATTHEW NATHAN, K.C.M.G.

The French Sisters have the honour to announce that their Annual Bazaar will be held at the City Hall on WEDNESDAY, the 14th instant, at 2 o'clock in the Afternoon.

They request your presence in order to inspect the different Needles and Fancy Works made by their Poor Orphans.

Asile de la Sainte Enfance.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1904. [2877]

HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC
SOCIETY.THE HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC
SOCIETY propose to give a CONCERT shortly at which the "Cantata 'Revenge'" will be performed. The first practice will take place on FRIDAY, the 18th inst., in the THEATRE ROYAL, City Hall, at 5.15 P.M. The Honorary Secretary will be pleased to receive the names of any Ladies or Gentlemen desirous of joining the Society. Applications for membership should be sent in as soon as possible to—

F. F. BOVET,

Hon. Secretary, H.K. Phil. Soc.
Care of Messrs. Arribald, Karsberg & Co.
Hongkong, 9th December, 1904. [2871]

NOTICE.

THE HONGKONG TRAMWAY ELECTRIC COMPANY, LIMITED, hereby gives notice that under Section 7 of Ordinance 10 of 1902, they intend to apply to His Excellency The Governor in Council for approval to construct and maintain a Siding running 50 yards along the Public Street lying between Inland Lots 1018 and 1149 with a junction to the lines in Yeo Woo Street, and another to the lines in Canseway Bay Road. For the Hongkong Tramway Electric Company, Limited.

J. GRAY SCOTT,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1904. [2876]

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF
HONGKONG.

PROBATE JURISDICTION.

In the Goods of WILLIAM STUART HARRISON, late of Victoria, Hongkong, Gentleman, Deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 58 of Ordinance No. 2 of 1897 made an Order limiting the time for sending in claims against the above estate to the 7th day of March, 1905. All Creditors are hereby required to send their Claims to the undersigned on or before that date. Dated the 8th day of December, 1904.

DENNYS & BOWLEY,
1875 Solicitors for the Executor.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAMSUI. THE Company's Steamship

"HAIMUN,"

Captain Robson, will be despatched for the above ports on TUESDAY, the 13th inst., at 9 A.M. For Freight or Passage, apply to

DOUGLAS LAFRAIK & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 10th December, 1904. [2878]

BRITISH-INDIA STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

FROM RANGOON AND STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship

"PUNDUA,"

having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from along-side.

Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 P.M., the 10th inst., will be landed at Consigner's risk and expense into Godowns at EAST POINT.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 9th December, 1904. [2879]

THE DAIRY FARM COMPANY, LIMITED.

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The Beef will be ready for delivery to Messengers at our Town Depot, Wyndham Street, between 6.30 A.M. and 1 P.M. on the 15th instant.

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Soup Bone ... 10 cts. per lb.
Suet ... 20 cts. per lb.

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Hongkong, 8th December, 1904. [2883]

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WANTED.

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WANTED.

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M., Care of Daily Press Office, Hongkong, 2nd December, 1904. [2801]

LESSONS IN FRENCH.

NEW and easy method of learning French in a few months, mainly by conversation with a Frenchman. Terms very moderate. Also Lessons in English by an English Lady. B. R., Care of Office of this Paper. Hongkong, 16th May, 1903. [1703]

VICTORIA REGATTA.

THE HONGKONG BOAT CLUB LAUNCH will leave Queen's Statue Wharf at 1 and 3 o'clock on the 9th and 10th inst., for the convenience of members and their friends.

E. W. CARPENTER,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1904. [2857]

SANITARY BOARD OFFICE.

Hongkong.

To the OWNERS OF DOMESTIC BUILDINGS.

TAKE NOTICE that under No. 5 of the Domestic Cleanliness and Ventilation Bye-laws (as amended), every domestic building or part of such building within the Western Division of the City of Victoria occupied by members of more than one family must be CLEANSED AND LIMEWASHED THROUGHOUT by the owner during the months of November and December.

N.B.—The word "throughout" used in this notice means that the houses should be Lime-washed in respect of all the walls of each room and staircase—all cubicle partitions—stair casings and stair linings, all ceilings and the undersides of roofs both in main buildings, offices and servants' quarters and inclusive of verandahs.

The back yard should have its containing walls Lime-washed up to the level of the first floor.

Carved, painted or polished woodwork in good condition, however, need not be Lime-washed but must be cleaned.

The Western Division of the City lies to the west of Tank Lane and Cleverly Street.

THOS. A. HANMER,
Secretary.

Dated this 1st day of December, 1904. [2838]

NOTICE.

THE power of attorney granted to Mr. WALTER GEORGE BENNETT to sign the name of our firm per procuratum has this day been cancelled.

HAROLD C. AUSTEN,
Hon. Secretary, V.E.C.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1904. [2834]

NOTICE OF REMOVAL.

THE Undersigned will REMOVE to their New Premises, Nos. 57, 58 and 59, CONNAUGHT ROAD CENTRAL, on the 15th instant.

KWONG SANG & CO., Shipchandlers, &c.
Hongkong, 6th December, 1904. [2831]

THE SWATOW GRASS CLOTH SILK and DRAWN THREAD WORK DEPARTMENT.

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SWATOW, 8th June, 1904. [2160]

FOR SALE

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For particulars, apply to—

TURNER & CO.
Hongkong, 22nd October, 1904. [2494]

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THE TAI LEE COMPANY.
Hongkong, 31st October, 1904. [2569]

CHEAP SALE OF FURNITURE.

IN consequence of Removal to New Premises, No. 49, Des Voeux Road Central, the Undersigned offers his Stock of FURNITURE at considerably reduced prices. Inspection respectfully solicited.

LI KWONG LOONG,
No. 1, Wyndham Street,
Behind the Old Hongkong Club Building,
Hongkong, 22nd November, 1904. [2729]

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Care of Daily Press Office.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1904. [2356]

ENTERTAINMENTS

HONGKONG GUN CLUB.

THE CHAMPIONSHIP for 1904 will be SHOT OFF TO-DAY (SATURDAY) 10th December, at 3 P.M. Ladies are cordially invited to be present. Hon. Secretary. Hongkong, 5th December, 1904. [2820]

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Refreshment Bar in the "Stockbroker's Rooms," near the Dress Circle, for the convenience of Seat-holders in the Dress Circle and Stalls.

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Stalls and Dress Circle ... \$3

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A CHAPMAN,
Business Manager.
Hongkong, 3rd December, 1904. [2812]

VICTORIA REGATTA.

SATURDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 1904.

THE COMMITTEE of the VICTORIA RECREATION CLUB request the pleasure of the Company of the Ladies of Hongkong TO-DAY (SATURDAY), the 10th December, at 1 P.M., on board the Flagships "KWONG TUNG" and "KWONG CHOW."

The Ladies' Prize will be presented by Miss Barnes Lawrence immediately after the race on SATURDAY, the 10th inst., at 4 P.M.

Mrs. VILLERS HATTON has kindly consented to present the prizes at the conclusion of the Regatta on SATURDAY, the 10th inst., through the Courtesy of Mr. DIXON, the Chief Manager of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., a Launch will leave Blake Pier and TO-DAY (SATURDAY), at 12.30 P.M. sharp to convey visitors on board the Flagship, and will make a second trip on each day at 2 P.M. It will leave the Flagship 10 minutes after the last race on each day.

By kind permission of Lt.-Col. W. S. BIRD-WOOD and Officers, the Band of the 11th Mohawks Light Infantry will perform each day.

The Secretary's Launch will leave Blake Pier each day at 12.30 P.M. sharp to convey rowing members to the Flagship.

Admission to the Flagship (Gentlemen) \$1.00 each day.

Tickets for Admission may be obtained from the Undersigned or on board.

HAROLD C. AUSTEN,
Hon. Secretary, V.E.C.

Hongkong, 6th December, 1904. [2834]

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND on account of the Year 1904 of Fifty cents per Share on the Shares numbered 1—60,000 inclusive will be payable at Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, Hongkong, on and after FRIDAY, 25th November, 1904, at 2 P.M., as a going concern. "THE JAPAN HERALD" the leading evening and oldest newspaper in Japan, with all the plant, presses, type, office furniture, &c., &c.

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THE AUCTIONEER.
Hongkong, 8th December, 1904. [2859]

TO CLOSE ACCOUNTS.

In the Estate of J. H. BROOKE, Deceased.

J. NO. W. HALL has received instructions from The Executors to sell by Public Auction at the Sale Room, No. 61, Main Street, Yokohama, on TUESDAY, the 27th December, 1904, at 2 P.M., as a going concern. "THE JAPAN HERALD" the leading evening and oldest newspaper in Japan, with all the plant, presses, type, office furniture, &c., &c.

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TERMS OF SALE.—As Customary.

HUGHES & HOUGH,
Government Auctioneers.

Hongkong, 8th December, 1904. [2860]

NOTICE.

SHARE CERTIFICATES will be ready for delivery on and after the 20th instant, and may be obtained on application at the Company's Offices, Alexandra Buildings, in exchange for Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation's receipt.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.
Hongkong, 19th October, 1904. [2475]

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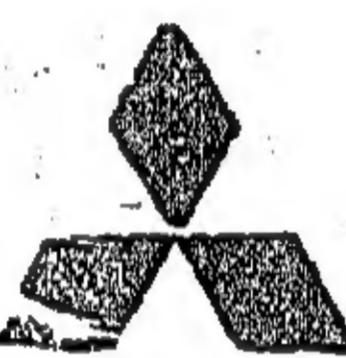
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THE UMPIRE

Smith sprawled lazily on the grassy cliff. A gentle breeze blew in from the south, and the glassy, sunlit sea was dotted with laden transport boats.

Grazing within a radius afforded by the loose rein that Smith held, was the major's horse. In the soiled mustard-coloured ground that the soldier affects on manoeuvres, Smith had followed both Red and Blue forces, for Major Somebody or other, whose serf he was, had been umptiring.

"I can't tell you," he went on without waiting for an answer. "Take Ladysmith. Why, if that job had been part of manoeuvres, you'd have seen twenty little umpires come streaking up in their Panniers and Napiers and Baby Pongeots, blinding the Boers with dust, and they'd have had a conference on Wagon Hill and then they'd've sent for George White."

"Good mornin', Sir George," they'd say. "Fine weather we're havin'. 'Ow are the birds in this part of the world?" My fifty-horse-power Damnyer put up a dozen brace between here and Colenso, they'd say. Then Sir George would talk about the shootin'.

"Oh, by the way," says the umpire, "what about Ladysmith?"

"Wot about it?" says Sir George.

"Well," says one of the imps, polishin' his motor-goggles, "I think you're out of action, don't you?"

"Sir George gets huffy."

"'Nothin' of the sort," he says; "I can hold Ladysmith for months and months," he says.

"Then all the umpires larf, except one with spectacles."

"Pardon me, see this one, you don't seem to understand that the strategie defensive calls for the preponderance of the tactical defensive."

"You dry up," says Sir George nastily;

"I'm goin' to hold Ladysmith as long as we've got time to eat."

"But he'd have had to give way before the umpires, and Ladysmith would have gone in."

There was certainly a grain of wisdom in Smith's deductions.

"Then," went on the great man, "take Colenso. The umpires would've gone up to Botha—no, I don't know how they'd have got to him unless they went up in a balloon—and there would be my bold Botha directin' the fire of the First Royal Shababoks. 'Cease fire,' shout the umpires, and Botha stares. 'Wot for?'" he says.

"You're defeated," says the umpire, and then goes on affably: "What sort of a season are you havin' in this part of the world? Nice weather for the crops. By-the-bye, as I was comin' along in my 94-horse power Wolesley, I put up twenty brace."

"Then Botha gets mad."

"What the howling razzmatazz do you mean by sayin' that I'm defeated, when I've got a position here that I could hold for a month of Sundays?" he says, as wild as anything.

"The umpire gets very stiff."

"I'd have you know, General, that you're not allowed to hold this position."

"Why?" says Botha, very astonished.

"Because it's out of bounds," says the umpire—and so we'd have got Colenso."

Smith stopped to watch a bare-footed sailor, with two little yellow and red flags, wave erratic arms seaward.

He spelt out the message, having some knowledge of the semaphore.

"Make—your—own—arrangements," spelt Smith, and added, with a dry laugh, "That's just the blumin' thing the umpires don't allow for."

"I remember, once," he continued with unaccustomed animation, "when we were messin' about after De Wet. You know the sort of thing—twenty miles a day in every direction. Every night we used to come up to the place where De Wet was the night before. There was half a battalion of ours, one squadron of scallywags, two squadrons of bushrangers, and a couple of pom-poms."

"Well, one day, when we wasn't exactly lookin' for De Wet, De Wet was lookin' for us, and you can bet he found us!"

"Before we knew where we was he'd got our horses, and we were all lyin' flat on our chests evryin' the little ants that had as much cover as they wanted."

"We'd been shootin' away for about an hour, and it was easy to see we were pretty well surrounded."

"There was a sort of general in charge of our three columns, and he was twenty miles away with the other two."

"Bimby we got a helio message from him."

"Make the best arrangements you can; I can't get to you under six hours. So our old man, and the scallywag captain—Somebody's Horse

was—an' the Australian major, had a sort of council of war underneath a waterbarrel.

"Well, gentlemen," says our old man, "I'm afraid we're piped," he says, "rightly speakin' he says; 'we ought to show up the white flag,' he says; 'but I give everybody fair warnin', he says, 'that I'll shoot the man who is marchin' with his nose with a white handkerchief,' he says, with a wicked laugh."

"And the scallywag and the bushranger and the little gunner who had just crawled up, said, 'Hear, hear!'

"Then our old man goes on: 'The main body of the enemy is in a donga, three hundred yards to our left,' he says, 'and we've got to get that donga,' says our old man."

Smith's eyes were far away.

"Bimby," he went on, "I heard the old man shouting. 'Concentrate your fire on that donga, he says; then after a bit, when the dust begins to go up, he yells 'Fix bayonets!'

Smith turned and looked me squarely in the face.

"What would the umpire have said?" he asked.

"Bimby," he went on, "I heard the old man shouting. 'Concentrate your fire on that donga, he says; then after a bit, when the dust begins to go up, he yells 'Fix bayonets!'

Smith's silence was eloquent.

"Umpires in war," he went on, "are food and feet and fingers—fingers for holdin' on to positions where, rightly, you should be kicked off."

"I know regiments that could never be put out of action unless every man was killed—what an umpire goin' to do with a lot like that?" he demanded. Somewhere down on the shingly beach below us a stentorian voice roared:

"Smith!"

Smith rose with alacrity.

"Comin', sir," he shouted. Then, as he led his officer's charger seaward, he turned.

"He's an umpire," he said with a jerk of his thumb toward the beach, "but he's a very decent chap as a human being"—EDGAR WALLACE.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Messrs. Vernon & Smyth say in their weekly status report, dated Hongkong, 9th December, 1904—Our market has ruled somewhat erratic during the past week: China Sugars and Docks which have been freely offering, to some extent for settlement account, shew a decline on last week's rates, but on the other hand Banks and Unions, which are still wanted for investment account, have further improved their position. Indos have ruled steadily throughout the period under review.

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HONGKONG.—Hongkong and Shanghai have sold at \$710 and \$715, and close in further request at the higher rate. London has advanced to \$71. 5s. 0d. Nationals are unchanged with sellers at \$39.

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

BENNOHE, British str., 1,938, A. Webster, 8th December.—Moj 3rd December, Coal.—Gibb, Livingston & Co.
CAPRI, Italian str., 2,300, G. Belzito, 9th Dec.,—Bombay and Singapore 30th Nov., General—Carlow & Co.
CERUS, British str., 2,050, Simmons, 8th Dec.,—Moj 2nd Dec., Coal.—Arnold, Karberg & Co.
MATTHILDE, German str., 675, G. Fehlakier, 9th Dec.,—Swatow 8th Dec., General—Johsen & Co.
MAZALLANES, American str., 832, Adolfo Yrcabal, 9th Dec., Manila 6th December, Timber—Captain.
PRINZ SIGISMUND, German str., 3,300, D. Lenz, 9th Dec., Yokohama 2nd Dec., General—Melchers & Co.
PUNDUA, British str., 2,126, R. F. Thomson, 9th Dec.,—Singapore 2nd Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.
SELDON, British str., 2,120, Butler, 9th Dec., Foochow 7th Dec., Tea—Arnold, Karberg & Co.
ROSARIO, British sloop, 960, Vivian, 9th Dec.,—Bombay Reef 6th December.
TEAN, British str., 1,346, A. Sommerville, 9th December—Manila 6th Dec., General—Butterfield & Swire.
TEINTAU, German str., 1,002, O. Koch, 9th December—Bangkok 29th Nov., Rice and General—Butterfield & Swire.
WAISHING, British str., 1,170, M. Courtney, 9th Dec., Tientsin 2nd Dec., General—Jardine, Matheson & Co.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
9th December.
Kiaukiang, British str., for Shanghai.
Shahruddi, British str., for Wuhan.
Telemachus, British str., for Saigon.
DEPARTURES.
9th December.
CEYLON, British str., for London.
ELG, Norwegian str., for Saigon.
GERMANIA, German str., for Yap.
GHRAZE, British str., for Shanghai.
HAIKAN, British str., for Canton Ports.
NANCHANG, British str., for Canton.
OENLEY, British str., for Calcutta.
SAINT HUGO, British str., for Singapore.
SEYDLITZ, German str., for Shanghai.
TELEMACHUS, British str., for London.
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YUENSANG, British str., for Manila.
VESSELS IN DOCK.
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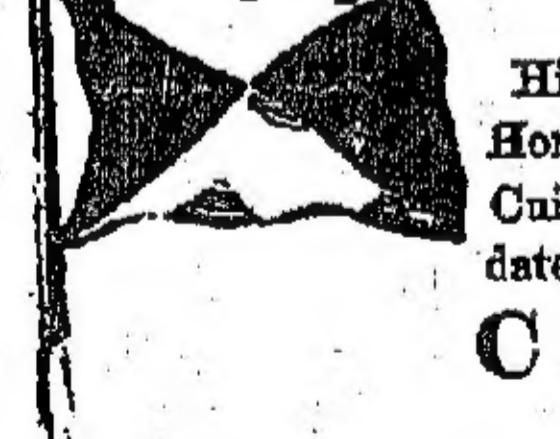
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THE BLACK RIBBON.

BY
L. T. MEADE.

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CHAPTER XI.

The storm abated, the waves quieted themselves, and the good ship *Aethusa* sailed gallantly over the sunlit waters. The passengers came on deck, sometimes in groups, sometimes in pairs, sometimes singly. One pair was ever seen together, pacing slowly with slightly bent heads, up and down the long deck. They did not seem to talk much, but it seemed scarcely a casual observer to notice that they were glad to be together, that the presence of each rested and satisfied the other. Their eyes too, when these eyes happened to meet, were eloquent with suppressed feeling.

"It's the old, old story," the other passengers would say, one to each other. "They love one another, and their's is a mighty and consuming love. What a gallant-looking fellow that young English doctor is, and what a fine girl that dark maiden is, who looks at him with those speaking eyes."

All the passengers on board the *Aethusa* wished well to Delafeld and Helen Lumsdale; with all the exception of Professor Kristofski, he was acknowledged to be the most brilliant man on board; he could talk better than anyone else; he could tell more varied stories, his adventures had been immense; he had a profound knowledge of various languages; he could speak the tongue of the East as well as the tongue of the West. In addition to his powers of language he had a most impassioned face, that is when he chose to waken that play of features which he possessed to such a great extent; he also—and that strangers did not fully recognise—had the power of suppressing his real emotions.

Those who watched him on that brief voyage observed that he was particularly kind to Helen Lumsdale, and good to the young doctor; who was winning such a good opinion from all on board: he used to throw the two together, and when he saw them talking to each other, he would never disturb them: his eyes seemed to him at these moments—

"Bless you, my dear young people. Enjoy the springtime while you may. Gather roses while they are strown round your paths, for of course the dark days will come when you will have no pleasure in these things. Enjoy them now, while you may."

Kitty Penbridge was perhaps the most silent, and in some ways the sweetest looking woman on board. She was much liked. For she had a remarkably sweet face, and she was exceedingly kind to Helen, talking to her, being with her when Delafeld was not present, although invariably without a word, she left her friend's side when Delafeld was seen approaching.

Meanwhile Rawlinson became quite well again, and crept up on deck, a somewhat shadowy grey figure, who kept very much to himself, and sat huddled up in wraps, exclaiming, when people drew near, that the cool sea breezes did her good.

Thus, and in this fashion, did they speed across the Northern Sea, and never had Helen looked more radiant and more healthy. The happiness of her face seemed to reflect the steadfastness of her beautiful soul. She was the impersonation of graceful strength. If Delafeld had loved her before, he loved her more madly than ever now. It was but to glance at her to see how worthy she was of any man's best attentions, of the heart-whole devotion of any man's love. In short to the passengers of that gallant ship all seemed peace and goodwill, and few could guess what elements were at work; what destructive agents were ripening day by day, and what a catastrophe was close at hand.

It was on the day before they were to reach St. Petersburg, that Kitty approached Helen, where she was sitting employing herself with some fancy needlework in a sheltered position on the deck. A carefully arranged awning protected her eyes from the sun, and as the vessel moved along, the summer breeze fanned her pale cheeks. Kitty sat down by her side.

"We shall have landed by this time tomorrow," she said.

"Yes," replied Helen.

"And, Nell, you are as well as ever—better than ever!"

"I am quite well," said Helen with a slight sigh. "At the same time," she continued, "I am sorry that our peaceful voyage is at an end."

"So am I," said Kitty very gravely.

There was something in her tone which caused Helen to look her full in the face.

"What is the matter, Kitty?"

"I speak with intention," was Kitty's reply.

"How? I don't understand."

"There is mischief and danger all round you, Helen."

"I have not come out to Russia prepared for smooth things," was the answer.

Kitty seemed to sweep away her words with a determined and curious intonation.

"I tell you," she said, "there is danger round you; round you especially. And round that good friend of yours, Maurice Delafeld."

Helen dropped her needlework, and locked full at her friend.

Kristofski's face wore its most benignant expression.

"There's no one listening," said Kitty. "I have taken precautions. You may speak as I mean to speak to you."

"I have felt since I came on board that I could be open and like my natural self," answered Helen, "but at the same time I knew that when I reach Petersburg I should have to put on the vital seal of silence. I have been telling or trying to tell Maurice that."

"Ah!" said Kitty sharply. "I wonder how much you have told him—or how little you have told him!"

"As little as possible."

"And how long does he mean to stay in Petersburg?"

"He says while I am there."

"Helen, he must not."

"Kitty, I do not know any means by which I can prevent his doing exactly what he wills."

"You are not 'prepared,'" said Kristofski, turning pale. "Ours is not a light mission. We have been singled out by a great concourse of learned and powerful men—men, yes, and women too—who perform a great work, and do you suppose that those men and women will allow one hardly Englishman to stand in their way? Do you suppose it for a single moment, Helen?"

"What is to be done?" asked Helen.

"One of two things," said Kitty quickly; "he must do what Rupert is prepared to do for me."

"Rupert! Rupert!" said Helen in surprise.

"Yes, of course, you know he follows us in the very next ship. Even now he has left England. I can do with him what I will; he will respond to our cause, and be one of us. Maurice Delafeld must be one of us or he must go."

"Manrice will not be one of us, and he will not go," said Helen.

"Then," said Kitty very gravely, "his life will be the forfeit!"

Helen felt a coldness stealing over her. Notwithstanding the summer breezes, notwithstanding the gentle and lulling motion of the boat,

she felt it creeping up her spine and encircling her heart, and caressing her hair with its icy touch. It were as though she were really parlased.

"What am I to do?" she said. Then she suddenly broke into a cry. "Kitty, I love him! I love him better than that which I have promised to do."

Kitty laughed.

"Would a case like ours have difficulties at all if we did not give it better than our love. Love has to die on that throne. Love has to perish—human love, at least the love of the individual for the individual—on that altar."

"I can't," said Helen. "I love him."

"I am doing wrong in telling you this much," said Kitty, standing up as she spoke. "You love him, and you would not like him to die. And, listen, it may not mean death. Think of long confinement, of prison, of slow torture, of banishment! Think of what can be done, and will be done, if you persist in bringing him to Petersburg, except as our chosen ally. Now I have said more than I ought, so I will leave you."

She was wearing a white muslin dress, she had a swaying, graceful motion. She went down the long deck and joined Professor Kristofski.

Presently Delafeld himself, looking haggard and worn, came up.

"Well, sir," he said, speaking to the Professor. "I can almost fancy I can already see the domes and minarets of your great capital. We shall have arrived by this time to-morrow."

"Some of us will have arrived," said the Professor with deliberation.

"I trust all of us," said the young doctor. "I do not see any trace of illness on board."

Kristofski gave him a hurried glance, then taking up a spy-glass he looked far out across the Lakes of the Finland Gulf up which they were slowly sailing.

"What a wonderful recovery you have made," said Kitty then, "of poor Rebecca Rawlinson. She seems as well as ever, and devoted to you. She says she owes her life to you."

"She does," said Delafeld very gravely.

"I know it! I know it!" said Kitty, shrinking back and pressing her hands to her face with an exclamation of horror.

Kristofski looked at her with some disposure.

"Shall I ever forget little Katerina, the belle Katerina with the blue eyes, and the way she cried and cried! I wonder where she is now."

"Doubtless," said the Professor very shilly, "Katerina has gone north where others have gone before her. She is one of the noblest of our martyrs. She had to become one in order that I, who can do so much, whereas she could do little or nothing, should not be arrested. Her arrest saved mine. I propose, in the case of Delafeld's failure to espouse our cause, to have him arrested as an English spy of the Russian Government. I shall put the necessary papers to ensure his conviction, in such a manner about his person, and his clothes, as shall make the thing a certainty. For a year or two he will lie and rot in the dungeons of the fortress of Peter Paul just yonder across the shining Volga. By then, come what may, we shall have succeeded. He cannot escape me and my power. It may be possible for those who belong to the Revolution to fail to capture him, but it is easy for me to put the police of the Russian Government on his track. He is a doomed man, he had better beware. He is in the country of suspects. On all hands he will be watched."

Kitty clasped and unclasped her hands. She looked full at the Professor, but unlike Helen she did not trouble herself to speak, however. She knew that words would be useless and that the less she used the better.

"My head aches," she said after a moment. "If you will permit me, I will go to my room to rest until dinner."

"Do, Catherine, for I shall be busy. Look after the others. Understand well the position. If you fail there is always Rawlinson."

"Do you not relax the iron chain you have encircled you?"

"Let me speak," she cried. "Don't interrupt, at least until I have finished. I am prepared, as you know, to give my very all, in the most absolute sense of the word, to your cause. I have such an influence over Rupert Lumsdale that I know I can make him do what you wish. My money, and I have a good fortune, is at your command; so is Rupert's money: he is Squire Lumsdale's only son, and I am the wife of my father's eye. Will not we two suffice, and will you not allow Helen Lumsdale to go back again to England with her love? Will you not relax the iron chain you have encircled you?"

The professor strode out of the room, slaming the heavy oak door behind him. Kitty stood still after he had left her. Had anyone been present, that person would not have noted even the shadow of an expression on that highly wrought and really beautiful face. The eyes, bright and bright, bright as a bit of the heavens itself, glittered, it is true, for an instant, and there was a hardness in their expression, but there was a hardness in their expression unless anyone stood close to her. There was not a tint of additional colour on the face, and the rippling black hair, which was wound so closely round her stately head, gave the final statuette effect to a face which in its liveliest moment was most vivacious. Now it seemed as though a mask was drawn over it. It was proud, disdainful, unmoved. Unmoved too, was the well-formed figure, even the heavy bust showed not the least emotion. But had anyone watched Kitty's right hand, that person would have seen that the palm bled from the way the nails were dug into it.

Presently she slowly crossed the room, and stood by one of the windows. It was a heavy window, built after the fashion of all windows in great Petersburg houses. The double sashes had been removed, for the weather was warm, and one half of the great French window stood open. Kitty stepped on to the stone balcony and rested her arms for a moment on the parapet. Between her and the swiftly flowing river was a wide quay made of solid granite. At the further end was the Winter Palace—where the Czar lived when in town. Beyond the broad line of road was a footpath, usually thronged by pedestrians, but more or less empty now, as this was not the season in Petersburg. The river itself was gay with steamers plying hither and thither, passing and repassing under the celebrated bridges of St. Nicholas. There were also boats with gaily varnished oarsmen, and heavy freight, being carried in huge barges to different destinations. Far away, in the shining West, lay Peterhof, undiscernable, of course at this distance. Peterhof, where the gay court was held, and where the nobles and richest merchants of one of the richest cities in the world had their datchas and gardens of pleasure at this season of the year.

Kitty knew well a certain datcha where she and her party would go on the morrow. She had been there before. It was a long, low, splendidly built mansion, with gay balconies, covered with red awnings all round in order to keep out the burning sun. The Neva came up to the beautifully kept gardens. There would be music, there would be splendid looking men and gracious and beautiful women, and laughter and mirth and revelry, for this was the very height of the gayest time at Peterhof. There the stately Olga, Professor Kristofski's one and only daughter, would meet her guests.

Kristofski, well aware that he was regarded somewhat in the light of a suspected person in England, held his head very high when he drove through his own capital; here met to right and left bowed to him, and here beautiful women stopped, smiled, and nodded brightly.

"You seem to know everyone," said Delafeld suddenly.

Kristofski's face wore its most benignant expression.

"I was brought up here," he said. "My own countrymen understand me. Ah!" he continued, "is it not a life worth living? The Czar the freshness and charm of the air, even though it is midsummer, and Petersburg, in contrast with the winter season is almost deserted, and yet, it seems to me the most delightful spot on earth. We stay here to night, and to-morrow we go to my datcha at Peterhof. There we shall meet Olga, and Count Helen."

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Kristofski was exceedingly kind to Delafeld. "You will make my house your home for the present, will you not, Mr. Delafeld?" he said.

"I shall be delighted to show you hospitality. You will sleep here to-night."

Kitty gave him a swift anxious glance; he met it and replied instantly.

"I shall have great pleasure in accepting your offer, sir."

The Professor smiled, crossed the room, and rang a bell. A servant in a somewhat quaint liveried replied to the summons.

"Take Mr. Delafeld to the Green Room, leading out of the White corridor," said the Professor.

"The man answered in the same tongue, and Delafeld moved off.

Kitty and the Professor now found themselves alone.

"Are you aware if Helen has spoken to Delafeld?" asked Kristofski, at that moment.

Kitty shook her head.

"I have not had an opportunity of saying a word to Helen in private since I spoke to you yesterday," was her answer.

"You had better do so, Catherine, to-night.

I have arranged that the next meeting of our confederates is to take place the night after next at my datcha. If Delafeld is willing to take the oath of fealty on that occasion, all will be well. If not—"

The Professor made a significant gesture.

"And if not—what do you mean to do?" asked Kitty.

"I have thought of an ingenious mode, my Kitty, by which to get rid of our good friend. To take his life would

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Hongkong, 25th July, 1904. [25.2]

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL £10,000,000 RESERVE FUND £10,000,000

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RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS £17,000,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS £10,000,000

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J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 22nd August, 1904. [19]

THE DUTSCH-ASIATISCHE BANK.

AUTORISED CAPITAL Sh. Taels 7,500,000

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INTEREST allowed on Current Account.

DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

H. FIGGE, Manager.

Hongkong, 11th August 1904. [24]

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

THE Business of the above Bank is conduted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION. Books may be obtained on application.

INTEREST on deposits is allowed at 3% PER CENT. per annum.

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For the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

J. R. M. SMITH, Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 1st May, 1904. [20]

THE BANK OF TAIWAN LIMITED (INCORPORATED BY SPECIAL IMPERIAL CHARTER).

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 5,000,000

CAPITAL PAID-UP 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE: TAIPEH, FORMOSA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:

Amoy Kobe Tainan

Amping Nagasaki Tamsui

Foochow Osaka Tokio

Kueking Shanghai Yokohama

HONGKONG OFFICE:

4, QUEEN'S ROAD.

Interest allowed on Current Account. Deposit received on terms which may be learnt on application.

S. SHIGENAGA, Manager.

Hongkong, 1st November, 1904. [25.9]

BANKS

IMPERIAL BANK OF CHINA
ESTABLISHED BY IMPERIAL DECREE OF THE 12TH NOVEMBER, 1896.

SUBSCRIBED CAPITAL, Shanghai Taels 5,000,000
PAID-UP CAPITAL 2,500,000

HEAD OFFICE—SHANGHAI.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:

Canton Peking

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The Bank purchases and receives for collection Bills of Exchange drawn on the above places, and sells Drafts and Telegraphic Transfers payable at its Branches and Agencies.

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INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS

At 2% per annum on Current Account daily balance.

3% per annum on Fixed Deposits for 3 months.

4% " " 6 "

5% " " 12 "

H. C. MARSHALL, Acting Manager.

Hongkong, 17th May, 1904. [23]

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED 1880.

CAPITAL SUBSCRIBED Yen 24,000,000

CAPITAL PAID-UP 18,000,000

CAPITAL UNCALLED 6,000,000

RESERVE FUND 9,520,000

HEAD OFFICE—YOKOHAMA.

BRANCHES AND AGENCIES:

Tokio Kobe Nagasaki

London Lyons New York

San Francisco Honolulu Bombay

Tientsin Nanchang

Peking

Daijin

LONDON BANKERS.

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HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL £10,000,000

RESERVE FUND £10,000,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS £17,000,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS £10,000,000

INTEREST ALLOWED.

On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.

ON FIXED DEPOSITS

For 12 months 5%, per cent.

" 6 " 4%

" 3 " 2½%

TAKEO TAKAMICHI, Manager.

Hongkong, 12th September, 1904. [27]

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

INCORPORATED BY ROYAL CHARTER, 1853

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.

CAPITAL PAID-UP £800,000

RESERVE LIABILITY OF SHARE-HOLDERS £800,000

RESERVE FUND £800,000

INTEREST allowed on Current Account at the rate of 2½% per annum on the Daily balance.

On Fixed Deposits for 12 months 4% per cent.

" 6 " 3½%

" 3 " 2½%

T. P. COCHRANE, Manager.

Hongkong, 19th May 1904. [21]

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